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SUBJECT: PASSPORT APPLICATION OF MRS. COLEMAN

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AMBASSADOR FROM ARMITAGE

1. COLEMAN WILL BE ARRIVING IN WARSAW MARCH 13 TO ASSIST HIS WIFE IN OBTAINING A PASSPORT. HE SPOKE WITH HER MARCH 11 AND SHE STATED THAT POLISH PASSPORT AUTHORITIES HAD NOW REFUSED HER PASSPORT APPLICATION.

2. ARMITAGE SPOKE WITH TRAMPCZYNSKI MARCH 11. HE WAS AWARE OF SITUATION, SAID HE WAS SENDING ANOTHER TELEGRAM TO WARSAW MARCH 12 AND SUGGESTED THAT COLEMAN MIGHT USE- FULLY GET IN TOUCH WITH KINAST. TRAMPCZYNSKI SAID THAT HE HAD SPOKEN WITH "HIGHER AUTHORITIES" WHILE IN WARSAW AND REPEATED HIS VIEW THAT MRS. COLEMAN WOULD BE ABLE TO GET A PASSPORT IN DUE TIME. HE INTIMATED THAT THE HANGUP OR DELAY MIGHT BE RELATED TO MRS. COLEMAN'S FATHER WHO, I UNDERSTAND, IS CONSUL GENERAL IN MINSK, BUT HE DID NOT ELABORATE ON NATURE OF PROBLEM. TRAMPCZYNSKI SAID HE WOULD TRY TO HAVE AN ANSWER BY MARCH 15.

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3. ARMITAGE SUGGESTED COLEMAN GET IN TOUCH WITH YOU UPON ARRIVAL IN WARSAW TO DISCUSS HOW BEST TO PROCEED. WE

INFORMED COLEMAN OF TRAMPCZYNSKI'S POSITION (MOST OF WHICH HE KNEW ANYWAY AS HE HAD BEEN IN TOUCH WITH TRAMPCZYNSKI). WE SUGGESTED HE MIGHT WISH TO DELAY APPROACH TO KINAST UNTIL TRAMPCZYNSKI WOULD HAVE HAD OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE REPLY, WHICH WE WOULD RELAY TO WARSAW.

4. WE HAVE KEPT LEONARD GARMENT INFORMED. COLEMAN IS BECOMING UNDERSTANDABLY IMPATIENT WITH POLISH OBSTRUCTIONISM BUT IS QUITE LEVEL-HEADED AND APPEARS TO HAVE MEASURE OF CONFIDENCE IN TRAMPCZYNSKI'S EFFORTS. KISSINGER

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